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Carol Marie Curtis, 67, of Decatur, passed away Friday, December 04, 2015, at Decatur Memorial Hospital, with her family by her side.

Carol was born January 23, 1948, in Detroit, MI, daughter of Eilene (Morenz) Miller. She married Kenton Curtis on May 11, 1974, in Decatur. He was the calm in her storm. She was baptized in First Lutheran Church and was a member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church where she directed the choir for several years.

Carol attended Stephen Decatur High School and graduated in 1966 with a full academic scholarship. She attended Eastern Illinois University and graduated in 1970 with a B.S. in education. She taught in Decatur Public Schools for 35 years. She loved teaching and loved her students. While teaching she held various offices in the Decatur Education Association.

Music was always a major part of her life. She started the violin at 10. She studied with George Nagy for many years. She played in the orchestra all of her school days. She sang in the children's church choir. In high school, she sang in honor choir. She continued singing in church choirs throughout her life. She was a charter member of The Greater Decatur Chorale. She used her music in her teaching and produced several plays with her students.

Carol loved sports. She could always be found with her grandpa at the bowling alley or baseball field. She loved to play ball, bowl, golf and swim. She enjoyed watching many other sports. She also loved to walk each day when she was able, loved word games, working on the computer, baking and volunteering in various organizations. She was survived by her husband of 41 years, Kenton; her son, who was her pride and joy, Keith; and her wonderful cousin, Billy (Irene) Jasuta.

Memorial services to celebrate the life of Carol Curtis will be 1 p.m. Thursday, December 10, 2015 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Decatur. Memorials may be directed to the Humane Society.



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The family of Carol Curtis is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur, IL. View the online obituary and send condolences to the family at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.



Tribute Wall

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JM

Jenny Phillips Michel posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. Mrs. Curtis was my 5th & 6th grade teacher at French. I absolutely loved her. Everytime i saw her she always rememberd my name. She was a wonderful woman and will be missed.

December 9 at 2:55 PM

DA

Dena Kareotes Arendt posted:

So sorry to hear about â??Miss Miller.â?? I think I had her during her first year of teachingâ?|at William Harris, 4th grade. Will never forget her. She was so young and so much FUN, and in a school filled with older teachers, everyone flocked to her and Miss Barr, who also started that year. She was a joy to be around, had an infectious personality and great enthusiasm for teaching and for her beloved school choir. To this day, I think of her when I hear her favorite, â??Jingle Bell Rockâ??. Will never forget her orange Opal GT, her bright, beautiful blue eyes and that big smile. Her love of music and the fun atmosphere she created for us in choir inspired me to go on to sing in the school choir in Jr. High & high school. Please know she lives on in my thoughts and in my heart. One of my all- time favorite teachers. Dena Kareotes Arendt

December 7 at 2:49 PM

KH

Karen Haines posted:

KentSorry for your loss. Carol was a wonderful person and I really enjoyed golfing with her when we golfed at Wildwood. She will be deeply missed.

December 5 at 2:04 PM

JD

Jerry Decker posted:

Elaine and Jerry Decker express sorrow and sympathy with the family of Carol Curtis, and thanks for the time we had with her at Holy Cross church.

December 5 at 12:13 PM

LA

Leigh Anderson posted:

Kent,We are so sorry to hear of Carol's passing. She was a great friend to my mom, Judy Schonert and we enjoyed hearing about their days teaching together. You will be in our prayers. I'm sure there is a happy reunion going on in heaven today!Leigh Schonert Anderson

December 4 at 1:04 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Carol by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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